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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to make the following announcements for Democratic nominations before the August 1910 primaries:

RECORDER.

F. M. WOODS,
Deer Creek Township.

Dr. C. MIZE,
New Home Twp.

JOE T. SMITH,
Mt. Pleasant Township.

JOHN STANGLE,
Osage Township.

J. M. CHAMBERS,
Elkhart Township.

COUNTY CLERK.

W. H. DUNN,
Grand River Township.

C. G. WEEKS.

CIRCUIT CLERK.

HERMANO MAXEY,
Howard Township.

T. D. EMBREE

PROBATE JUDGE.

CARL J. HENRY.

MUDDYING THE WATERS.

A very ingenious plan of a wily politician is the effort of Governor Herbert Hadley to distract attention from the political issues that swamped his party in the sixth district and forshadowed impending disaster to them this fall, in his fight on Senator Stone. Humiliated at his futile attempt to defeat Dickinson and smarting under the strictures made by the senator against his extravagant administration, he charged that Stone won the senatorship by fraud in St. Louis, and when pinned down for particulars, he jumps from one statement to another so fast that it is impossible to keep pace with his kaleidoscopic changes. He first said he got his information of the St. Louis frauds from members of the recounting legislative committee in the Lieut. Governor's contest. When every member of that committee both Republicans and Democrats denied the truth of the governor's statement, he side-stepped, without defending the barefaced falsehoods he had been cornered in, and challenged Senator Stone to a recount of the St. Louis ballots on senator and asked him to resign if such recount showed fraud. The governor is writing columns of stuff each day for the edification of his Republican worshippers, in his endeavors to muddy the waters political. When pointed out by the best lawyers including the attorney general of the state, that the ballot boxes could not be legally opened, he brings in prepared opinions from some of his own appointees to bolster up his absurd statements.

Senator Stone and the St. Louis Republic have put Governor Hadley in a bad hole, a position so discreditable as to be shunned by the most obscure politician in the state with the

least semblance of self respect, and there they should leave him. Sensible and fairminded men in both parties can but feel pity at the predicament in which he is placed, considering the bright auspices which attended this young man up to this point in his political career. The sea of political oblivion awaits this ambitious and wiley young politician who assumes that the success of his own ambitions justifies the discreditable means to which he resorts.

Registration Law.

Under the law, enacted by the last legislature, requiring the recording of all births and deaths, now in effect, the following registrars have been appointed in Bates county:

Butler, Dr. T. C. Boulware; Adrian, H. W. Tuttle; Amoret, S. A. Paige; Amsterdam, Dr. C. F. Martin; Hume, Dr. W. A. Williams; Merwin, Dr. J. R. Martin; Rich Hill, J. C. Chambers; Rockville, G. D. Dalglish; Ballard, Dr. J. S. Newlan; Pleasant Gap, Dr. V. J. Cumpton; Worland, Milo J. Miller.

Under the law it is the duty of each physician to report every birth to the registrar of his district, within 10 days, or in case of no physician in attendance this duty devolves upon the parents. In case of deaths, the physician in attendance must furnish the undertaker a certificate of death, the undertaker must take this certificate to his local registrar and secure a burial permit, which is turned over to the sexton of the cemetery, or the party in charge of the grave-yard. The sexton must keep a complete record of deaths and return the death certificate to the registrar issuing it, properly attested by him, within ten days from the time it comes into his possession. Local registrars will furnish all necessary blanks and records to the physicians, undertakers and sextons within his district. The registrars are required to report all births and deaths to the State Board of Health once each month.

The Real Situation.

Nothing has developed in the three-sided controversy between Mr. Hadley, Mr. Stone and Mr. Folk to change the opinion expressed yesterday, that there would be no recount of the senatorial primary ballots. Recounts are not popular, particularly with those who have and hold and might not continue to have and hold if there were any counting. The "ins" always manage to prevent it, however apparently disingenuous their attitude for public effect.

There was a recount in a part of the State in the matter of the election of Lieutenant Governor last year, but that was by special resolution of the Legislature. That recount did not actually settle the question of who had been elected, because, had the remainder of the State also been recounted it is not at all unlikely that enough other errors would have been discovered to change the result. But it was used by the Legislature to settle the contest.

In the present case there is no contest. Senator Stone has been legally elected by the vote of the Legislature according to the constitution and could not be impeached. All the ablest of talent in the primary were to be seen. All that could be

done would be to give the taint of fraud to his title, which he naturally opposes. It is all a pretty game of politics, a three-cornered duel for personal advantage and a grand bluff all around to fool the public.—St. Louis Star.

CAPTAIN JOHNSON A BENEDICT.

Former Butler Boy Secretly Married in Arizona.

A secret wedding, attended by all those surrounding circumstances of mystery which go to delight the adolescent youth and maid and satiate the most sordid fancies of elder lovers of the romantic was performed in the city last Saturday evening, when a prominent young business man of Bisbee led to Hymen's altar an equally prominent young woman of that city. The marriage took place at the residence of Paul Bengsch at 8 o'clock.

Here, however, is where the details of the affair remain clothed in the strictest silence of the few persons who witnessed the nuptial knot's tying, and all efforts to drag from them the secret of the identity of the contracting parties yesterday were unavailing. Moreover, they declare they will positively not tell until their lips are unclosed and tongues freed by the authority of the bride and groom.

Where the party got the marriage license, and who married them, why they came to Tucson—in fact, the whole mystery surrounding their strange procedure—are baffling in the extreme.

Shortly after the wedding the little party was served with refreshments at the hospitable Bengsch home. The bride and the groom returned to Bisbee Sunday morning.—Tucson, Ariz., Star.

The contracting parties in the above romantic marriage were Captain V. M. Johnson, an old Butler boy, and Miss Mary Warner, of San Jose, Cal. The reason for the secrecy is that the bride is a popular school teacher at Bisbee and wished to finish the term before making public her marriage. Captain Johnson, who was born and raised in Butler, is very popular here and is meeting with success in business at Bisbee. The bride is reported a very charming, pretty and talented girl.

"Dr. Lee is Coming Again."

By request the people of Butler and vicinity will be honored once again by having Dr. Lee here with them. At the Cottage Hotel Saturday, March 5th. The doctor is one of Kansas City's best known physicians. He is known as a wizard to all chronic diseases. Diseases that have baffled the general practitioner dwindle away in his hands as the leaves do in the fall. If you should be one which is afflicted with some chronic disease that has been nagging and pulling at you for months or years, you should not fail to see this man on Saturday, March 5th. 18-2t

The Harshaw Sale.

The Harshaw Sow Bred Sale of Big Bone Poland Chinas was in progress as we go to press. A large number of buyers are here from different states, but the buyers are not as many as was expected owing to the bad weather. The first sow sold was Big Betty, for \$400, to Bert Hammon, of Pilot Grove, and W. B. Wallace, of Berens, Mo. The bidding is spirited and those in attendance know



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BATES COUNTY SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

By County Superintendent P. M. Allison.

The greater part of this week was taken up in mailing out supplies to district clerks of the county. If any clerk should fail to receive his supplies I shall take it as a favor if he will notify me of the fact.

The first school visited was Peru, in Lone Oak township. The attendance was not very good, due to the cold weather and sickness. The pupils are very willing workers and they are ready for a test any time, and can make a good showing. The teacher, Miss Lorelle Boughan has \$28.00 to spend for library books, the proceeds of a pie supper, which will give them a start along this line worth while.

Up at Brackney I expected to see the library won by them in the contest, but they have not obtained possession of it yet. They think they may have it by next week. We sincerely hope that it may consist of books that are suitable for and usable in a country school. The pupils here are going to do their best on the test left for them to do. Miss Lottie Young is teacher and made a good fight for the library which she is very proud of. Edna Utley and Leona Padley have been perfect in attendance.

Black school, in Summit township, has some exceptionally good workers and they are willing to try a test any time. They have a good building and a fine library. The attendance is usually very good but on this particular occasion the attendance was not so good, due to the snow storm. Miss Anna Bard is teacher and is satisfying all concerned.

Over at Tripp, in Mt. Pleasant township, the attendance is not quite what it should be. A few pupils were tardy, probably unavoidably, but a special effort should be made by both parents and pupils to overcome this. Fred J. V. Sed is teacher and is put-

ting forth a good effort in his work and is satisfying all concerned.

Rich Hill Reading Circle was attended last Friday evening, by request of Supt. Robinson. They have a very wide awake circle and every teacher was prepared on the work and best of all they are not afraid to express an opinion they have upon any subject pertaining to the work.

I have visited two rooms in the Rich Hill schools and shall be pleased to visit others at some future time. The rooms visited are in charge of Miss Josephine Steele and Miss Mayme Bewley. Miss Steele's reputation is too well established to need any comment. Miss Bewley has an exceptionally good room in every particular and her work is satisfactory with all her patrons. In fact every person we talked with says they have the best school they have had since the town started.

Nyhart is coming to the rescue with arithmetic in away that is very gratifying. They have not failed to come up to their promise on any occasion and it appears as though they knew what they were talking about.

Brackney school has sent in their work left for them to do and they made a very good showing on all but the first question and this one was not attempted. Nettie Deems, Fern Miller and Mabel Padley have been present every day but tardy a few times while Edna Utley has not been absent a day in three years.

Miss Emily Woodfin reports \$55.80 as the proceeds of a pie supper. Miss Ola Largent \$15.00 and Miss Nellie Swager \$20.00 made by Miss Gertrude Laney, all of which has been expended to make their work better and more agreeable. One hundred twenty-five volumes have been added to the libraries of these three schools. Miss Evelyn Lawson reports that thirty-one volumes have been added to her library but did not give the value. This school has a library of one hundred fifty-nine volumes.

HUNG JURY.

Six to Six in the Stella Martin Murder Case.

After being locked up from Saturday evening until Monday morning, the jury in the case of the State vs. Stella Martin Lovell, charged with the murder of Duke Benefield, returned into court and reported that they were unable to agree, and were dismissed by Judge Denton.

The case was called Thursday morning. All day was taken up in selecting a jury with the following result: Grant Sutherland, Henry Eiler, W. P. Sevier, T. C. Wilson, D. T. Owens, Lee Simpson, E. W. Fouts, C. W. Zwalen, F. W. Page, H. C. Funk, W. M. Harbert and H. C. Wayland.

Which jury was duly empaneled Friday morning and the taking of testimony begun. There were a number of witnesses both for and against the state, and the case was hotly contested by the attorneys, Prosecuting Attorney Walt B. Dawson, assisted by Judge J. A. Silvers, for the state and W. O. Jackson for the defense. The first real clash came on the introduction of the dying statement of Duke Benefield. The jury was sent out and the lawyers presented their authorities to the Judge, who finally admitted the statement. Judge Denton gave instructions for second degree murder, which called for a sentence of not less than ten years in the penitentiary. It is said the jury stood six for first degree murder and six for acquittal.

"Black" the Insurance Man. 18-1f